Then And Now

By Frances H. Paulette

"The Saturday Night Bath"

As soon as Saturday night and weekly bath time. Oh! pardon me, you say you just had a bath last night and a shower again this morning?

My, oh my, how we do pamper ourselves in the days of NOW! There was absolutely no such squandering of soap and water in the "good ole days!"

A bath in the days of THEN was an occasion and not so easily forgotten. The wife of one of our prominent businessmen remembers one bath in particular. She was maybe four or five years of age at the time. They lived in the country and because it was summertime and extremely hot, she was permitted the luxury of taking her bath in the back yard under the trees in a big, galvanized tub. Was she ever having fun when she heard someone coming down the road! Now that was cause for alarm, and what do you think that little girl did? As the visitor drew near, she hopped out, and went streaking for the house and a place to hide! Bet that was the last time she ever took a bath out of doors, don't you?

Then there is a gentleman who remembers his bath time when he was but a little tyke. On Saturday night, right after the last supper dish was washed, dried, and put away . . . "come hell or high water" it was bath time! Nothing short of a catastrophe could excuse you from this ritual!

The water had been brought from the spring, put on the big black kitchen stove to heat for the occasion. Mama had brought in the big wash tub, placing it in the middle of the kitchen floor. If the water on the stove had heated beyond the point of comfort, Mama cooled it a bit with water dipped with gourd dipper from the wooden bucket nearby.

Everything was ready . . . there was no way out. Then came the order . . . "strip!" After carefully testing the water with one big toe, he reluctantly climbed in. There was no doubt that you would be clean when you emerged; the homemade soap that Mama and Grandma had made in the big black pot in the back yard took off the dirt and in some instances the skin too! But, never mind that . . . a dab of Grandma's homemade ointment would do the trick.

If it were wintertime, according to the gentleman, you prayed that no other member of the family would find reason to wander in during bath time. It was not modesty, but the fear of a draft that was the cause for alarm. A gust of wind at this point would be almost more than you could bear. At last you were clean . . . clean enough for a week!

One gentleman happily remembers, as a boy, taking his bath in the nearby creek during the summertime. Within walking distance of his house was a creek, a part of it overhung with tree branches. In this secluded spot the young fellow stripped and had a leisurely bath in the cool, fresh water.

When bathtime was over, he neatly hung his wash cloth on a tree limb, ready for his next trip!

The next time we step into our bathrooms, heated in winter, cooled in summer, let's stop a minute and think . . . the shower massage, bath oils, thick luxurious towels . . . necessities we say? They're become just that, but compared to the days of THEN . . . we've come a long way baby!!

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Sue Maxwell

WHOS WHO IN FBLA FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

The girl of the month in FBLA for April has been very active in FBLA for three years. She sold Cherrydale candy, typed newspaper articles, delivered Welfare basket, played the part of Santa Claus in the December skit, visited Virginia Baptist Hospital children's ward for Easter, baked cookies for the visit, attended the C.O.E. Banquet, brought refreshments for the March of Dimes, worked on float and took pictures at meeting. She was on the Homecoming Committee and Chairman of the Welfare Committee. The girl of the month in FBLA for April is a senior, Sue Maxwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Thomas, Sr.

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Many items of interest and value have been donated - a television, metal trays, children's clothes, a collection of cookbooks, toys and jewelry.

The women are also planning to have lots of baked goodies for sale. So, if you have a husband missing his favorite sweater or a child looking for a toy that mom has carried away come to the rummage sale to learn the end of the story.

For additional information, call Becky Olsen, 993-2517.

The co-chairpeople for the Rummage Sale are Eleanor Scott and Annie Laurie Sears. Loee Wallace will be helping with the food section.

Commissioned Navy Chief Warrant Officer

Navy Chief Warrant Officer Charles S. Snow, whose wife Marie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Millner of Route 1, Appomattox, Va., was commissioned in his present rank at the Naval Air Rework Facility, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

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4-H DEMONSTRATION CONTEST - Kathy Lewis is shown presenting Photography Demonstration.

CHARLES WOMACK, PATRICIA CHANDLER, GLEN McCLENNY AND J. C. ROGERS, all shown above were winners intheir respective areas of the 4-H Demonstration Contest.

TERRI NASH AND CARREL ALMOND, left to right, were winners in the Meats and Fruits areas of the 4-H Demonstration Contest.

APPOMATTOX 4-H JUNIOR DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

A total of sixty-three 4-H'ers took part in the Appomattox County Junior Demonstration Contest held April 23rd at the Appomattox Elementary School.

4-H'ers taking part in contest and ribbon awards won were as follows: **Safety area** - Jennifer Inge (Blue); Mike Ranson (Red); **Electric area** – Bobby Hart (Blue); **Aerospace** - Cecil Jacobs (Blue); **Hobbies** - David Page (Blue); **Meats area** - Terri Nash (Blue), Angie Murray (Blue); **Fruits and Vegetables** - Carrell Almond (Blue);) **Arts & Crafts area** - Patty Roach (Blue), Nancy Morris (Blue), tambra Hamlett(Blue), Sandy Walton (Blue); **Miscellaneous Area** - **David Coffee [Blue]; Dog Care** - Karen Fitzgerald (Blue); **Horse & Pony** - Vivian Seay (Blue) Cheryl Mathews (Red) Tim Padgett (Red); **Vet Science** - Donna Layne (Blue); **Dairy** - Beverly Coleman (Blue); **Poultry** - David O'Brien (Blue); **Milk and Milk Products** - Sheila Roach (Blue), Jeff Miller (Red, Maria King (Red); **Breads and Cereals** - Cheryl Walton (Blue), Dana White (Blue), Lisa Puckett (Blue), Ursula Grisham (White); **Child Care** - Lisa Rogers (Blue); **Home Management** - Laurie Cowan (Blue), Karen Stevens (Blue), Janis Richardson (Blue); **Health** - Kim Maxwell (Blue), Susan Morris (Blue), Kathy Parsons (Blue); **Home Environment** - Susan Shorter (Blue), Lisa Moon (Blue), Leslie Ranson (Blue), Norma Richardson (Blue); **Clothing** - Laura Walton (Blue), Sharon Davis (Blue); **Conservation** - Glen McClenny (Blue); **Forestry** - Elizabeth Coffey (Blue); **Plant and Soil Science** - Allen Smith (Blue); **Field Crops** - Kenneth McClenny (Blue); **Community Beautification** - Patricia Chandler (Blue); **Archery** - J. C. Rogers (Blue); **Bicycle** - Gloria Ferguson (Blue); **Woodworking** - Charles Womack (Blue); **Photography** - Kathy Lewis (Blue), Suzette Ranson (Blue, Ingrid Moore (Blue); **Entomology** - Blair Smith (Blue), Ruby Smith (Red); **Fishing** - Tom Cobb (Blue); **Wildlife** - Sally Coleman (Blue); and **Small Pets** - Teresa Bass (Blue), Julie Lettner (Blue), Brenda Smith (Red).

Appomattox 4-H'ers placing first in their project area will compete again at the Rustburg Area 4-H Junior Demonstration Contest on May 14th, Rustburg Junior 4-H'ers from the counties of Halifax, Campbell, Amherst, Bedford and the City of Lynchburg will be involved in this event. Plan to attend.

The Appomattox Extension Staff extends special thanks to those persons, judges, and contest chairpersons, who helped make this contest possible.

HOLLYWOOD

Those from Hollywood Church attending the W. M. U. Annual Spring Meeting at Spring Creek Baptist Church last Thursday were Mrs. Paul Balthasar, Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Mrs. Raymond Franklin.

Mrs. Raymond Franklin and Mrs. Thomas Woodall visited Mrs. Mattie Franklin at the Medical Care Center in Lynchburg on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb visited Mrs. Addie Jenkins and Mrs. Ber Abbitt at the Liberty House in Lynchburg, Mrs. Mattie Franklin and Mrs. Ernest Farrar at the Medical Care Center in Lynchburg and Mr. and Mrs, Billy Inge, Rt. 3, Lynchburg last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond's children and grandchildren visited them on Mohter's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Davis visited Mr. Davis's mother, Mrs. Phyliss Davis of Scottsville on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Sheets of Florida spent a few dayw with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sheets.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman. Rev. and Mrs. Carlton Smith and family of North Carolina, and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith and Craig visited Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Friday night.

Dinner guests Sunday, Mother's Day of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Gain and family were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Craft & Krista, Mrs. Pat Webb, Denise and Becky, Mrs. Reva Moses and Donald, Mr. Allen Webb and Keith, Mr. H. W. Jenkins called in the afternoon. They celebrated Mr. Monroe Webb's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Gilliam spent the week end with Mrs. W. T. Covington.

Miss Jennifer Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tip Johnson of Appomattox spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson and family.

Mr. and Mrs L. H. Watson Jr. and family of Alexandria spent the week end with Mr. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, Sr.

Mrs. Robert Prosise and son of Richmond spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin and family. Mrs. Franklin and Mrs. Prosise called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman spent Thursday with Mr. Coleman's sister Mrs. Nathlie Robertson.

Mrs. David Repass visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb and family Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb, Odell and Joyce Webb were visitors Sunday of Mrs. Robert Morris and family of Buckingham. They visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Inge of Lynchburg last week.

Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coffey and family of Covington.

Lt. and Mrs. Hardman of Florida spent sevedral days last week with Mrs. Hardman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McWilliams. Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams and Lt. and Mrs. Hardman visited Mrs. W. T. Covington Saturday a.m.

dinner guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family. Others visiting in this house Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams of Lynchburg, Mrs. Bill Watson & April, Miss Jennifer Johnson & Miss Dawn Deaner.

We are glad Mr. Walter Wingfield is feeling better after a spell last week with a pulled muscle in his back.

Those calling in the home of Mrs. Mary Bagby Sunday were Rev. and Mrs. Paul Balthaser, David, Danny & Andy, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner, Delorious Ann & Dawn Deaner, Mr. Thomas Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield & Miss Julia Wingfield.

Program leaders from Extension Homemakers groups learned how to select and care for various types of floor coverings. Explaining what to look for in carpets is Mr. Buster Jackson, owner and manager of The Carpet House, Triangle Plaza. Assisting Mr. Jackson is Mr. Coleman Penny, a factory representative.

VESTER CLIFTON OF PAMPLIN killed an 18 ½ pound turkey near the Appomattox River last week. After missing three, he made up for it with this kill.

Clifton has killed a gobbler every year that gobbler season has been in. Quite a hunter.

Beckham

MAY 9 - Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Moore, Jr., Jeff Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pankey, Kim Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Kathy Martin, Mrs. Connie Reynolds, Tammy Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter, Crystal and Karen, Mr. Alfred Martin and A. C. Martin visited in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Moore and Gwen were supper guests in this home.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Martin and family were Mrs. Stoner, Oglesby, Mrs. Dave Gentile and Pam, Mrs. Nancy Peterson and Bryon.

Mr. Eural Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin Sunday afternoon. He also visited Mr. H. O. Martin.

Miss Nancy Moore and girl firend, Nancy, spent Sunday night with Mrs. H. C. Moore.

Mrs. H. C. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmutz and family were with other members of their family at the home of Mrs. O. W. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin Sunday for a picnic lunch.

Miss Eunice Martin was honored on her birthday Sunday at her home with a picnic on the lawn. Many of her relatives and friends were present, also Rev. and Mrs. James Becker.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jamerson, Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin, Mrs. Gertrude Burge, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Jamerson and Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Michelle and Tracy.

Miss Peggy Watkins and Mr. Robert Morris of VPI, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Melanie and Mrs. S. G. Martin. Mr. Jerry May and Miss Carolyn Morris visited during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hillsman and Mr. Jimmy Moore were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Jerry Moore. Michael Hendrson is spending several days in this home.

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